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LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:717
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PRODUCTION OF PULSES AND OILSEEDS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated demand and the actual production of pulses and oilseeds during each of the last three years and the quantum of imports thereof;

(b) the estimated quantum of production and demand of pulses and oilseeds in the next three years in the country;

(c) the details of review of the schemes being implemented to increase the production of pulses and oilseeds to cater to domestic needs; and

(d) the details of new schemes/ incentives proposed to be introduced to increase the production of oilseeds and pulses?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a)&(b): The estimated demand, the actual production of pulses and oilseeds and the quantum of imports thereof during each of the last three years and the estimated quantum of production and demand of pulses and oilseeds in the next three years in the country are given in the statement at Annexure-I.

(c): The Government has implemented Oilseeds Production Programme (OPP) and National Pulses Development Programme (NPDP) during IXth plan for increasing production and productivity of oilseeds and pulses in 28 States in the country. These schemes have been reviewed and restructured by merging into a Centrally Sponsored `Integrated Scheme of Oilseeds, Pulses, Oil Palm and Maize` (ISOPOM) during Xth Five Year Plan to provide flexibility to the States in implementation based on regionally differentiated approach, to promote crop diversification and to provide focused approach to the programmes with a view to increase the production and productivity of pulses and oilseeds in the country. The ISOPOM is being implemented from 2004-05 in 14 major oilseeds growing States in the country. Under the Scheme, assistance is provided for purchase of breeder seed, production of foundation seed, production and distribution of certified seed, distribution of seed minikits, distribution of plant protection chemicals, plant protection equipments, weedicides, supply of Rhizobium culture/phosphate solubilising bacteria, distribution of gypsum/pyrite/liming/dolomite, distribution of sprinkler sets and water carrying pipes, publicity, etc. to encourage farmers to grow pulses and oilseeds.

In order to disseminate information on improved production technologies amongst the farmers, block demonstrations and Integrated Pest Management (IPM) demonstrations are organized through State Department of Agriculture and Front Line Demonstrations through ICAR.

(d): Presently there is no proposal to introduce a new scheme as the restructured `Integrated Scheme of Oilseeds, Pulses, Oil Palm and Maize` (ISOPOM) is in implementation.

Annexure-I

Statement as referred to in reply to part (a) and (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.717 for 12-7-2004.

(a): Estimated demands, actual production and quantum of imports of pulses and oilseeds during last three years.

Pulses (Quantity in million tonnes)

Year	Estimated demand+	Actual production	Import
2001-02	14.12	13.2	2.22
2002-03	16.43	10.14	1.88
2003-04	16.74	14.89	-
(IIIrd Adv. Estimate)	1.57	-	-

(upto Feb., 2004)

Oilseeds (Quantity in million tones)

Year	Estimated demand#	Actual production	Import
2001-02	30.06	20.8	0.029
2002-03	31.87	15.1	0.044
2003-04	33.78	25.00	-
(IIIrd Adv. Estimate)	0.015	-	-

(upto Jan., 2004)

(b): Estimated quantum of production and demand of pulses and oilseeds in the next three years in the country.

(Million tonnes)

Year	Pulses		Oilseeds	
	Targeted production	Demand+ production	Targeted	Demand#
2004-05	15.3	17.06	26.2	35.81
2005-06	15.7	17.38	27.8	37.96
2006-07	16.2	17.71	29.4	40.23

? As projected by the Working Group on Crop Husbandry, Demand & Supply Projections and Agricultural Inputs for Xth Plan using Normative Approach.

As projected by the Working Group on Demand Projections for Oilseeds/Edible Oils for Xth Plan using Normative Approach.